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Police Authority chair who appointed Norman Bettison as Merseyside Chief Constable has died

by Danielle Thompson

CONTROVERSIAL Bootle Councillor Carol Gustafson has died after a short illness. Labour politician Ms Gustafson, OBE, who was in her early 60s, died last Saturday, September 7.

She came under fire for her decision as Police Authority Chair to hire Sir Norman Bettison as Merseyside Chief Constable in 1998 – despite opposition in Liverpool from Hillsborough victims' families over his connection to the tragedy.

Bettison was the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire Police at the time of the disaster.

Some 15,000 people signed a petition started by victims' relatives calling for him to be removed when he took on the Merseyside role.

Ms Gustafson said that at the time of the appointment that she was not aware of his links to the disaster – but stood by her decision to hire him.

When the Hillsborough Independent Panel revealed the truth of the football disaster and had the inquest overturned



Councillor Carol Gustafson

last year, this put Ms Gustafson's decision to appoint Sir Bettison back in the spotlight – and she said in October last year “that period of my life was hell.”

She was police authority chair until 2004. In 2005 she was awarded the Order of the British Empire medal for services to the police and local government.

The politician, who lived on Kent Avenue in Litherland returned to local politics in 2008, winning the Labour Derby ward seat in Bootle, which she kept until now.

LET'S PLAY IT AGAIN!

by Holly Rummens

AN INTERNATIONAL charity football event is to be played in Walton in memory of Hillsborough mum Anne Williams.

The re-match between Scouse Reds and Norwegian Wools will take place at the Liverpool County FA in Walton Hall Park on Sunday, September 22. The game will be a re-run of a match played in May 2009 that was followed by a fundraising event which raised over £4,500 for Hope for Hillsborough.

Organisers Jason Morland, Phil Belger and Olav Rosvold decided to arrange the re-match when Anne lost her battle against cancer in April, just months after winning her long fight to have the accidental death Hillsborough inquest verdicts overturned.

Liverpool Sound City winners Cheap Thrills and 16-year-old singer/songwriter Dominic Dunn will perform after the match at the Taxi Club on Walton Hall Avenue, where there will be auctions and raffles to raise funds which will be shared between Queenscourt Hospice in Southport, where Anne was cared for

Charity football match to be re-run in memory of Hillsborough mum



Anne Williams

during her illness, and Hope For Hillsborough.

Organiser, Jason Morland said: “We know some Norwegian lads who have been coming over to Anfield for the match and decided one day to have a charity game to raise funds for

Hillsborough.

“None of us actually knew Anne at the time but we chose her group because she seemed to be on her own at that point and she turned up on the day to watch the match and present the trophies at the end which we were all made up about.”

“She gave the most emotional and inspirational speech afterwards.”

“She had no doubt we would win in the end and the truth would come out and you could see she genuinely meant it. It'll stay with me forever.”

Fellow organiser Phil said “Anne battled against the odds to fight the establishment for many years and was an amazing role model for any parent fighting for their child.”

“She told us what a lift the last match gave her and, while it is heartbreaking she's not with us any more, we're very proud to be able to do something like this to keep her memory alive.”

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Tributes paid to Walton pupil Adam

Report by
Holly Rummens

TRIBUTES have been paid to a young boy who died after being knocked down by a bus.

Adam Maher, a pupil at North Liverpool Academy in Walton collided with the 10a Arriva bus on Tuesday September 2

at around 6.30pm after emerging from a side street.

The 12 year old boy was travelling on a bicycle before he was hit at the junction of Prescott Road in Fairfield, not too far from his family home.

It is believed the boy hit the door of the moving bus and was taken to Alder Hey hospital where he

later died on Wednesday September 3 at 1.45pm.

The driver of the bus stopped at the scene and continues to assist police with their investigations.

Officers from the Roads Policing Unit would ask anyone who witnessed this incident to contact 0151 777 5444.

Garage destroyed in Everton fire

A SUSPECTED electrical fault in an abandoned garage in Everton has caused a major fire throughout the property.

Firefighters arrived at the scene, on Dryden Street at 7pm to see the single storey brick building well alight. One main hose and another hose jet were used to tackle the flames, and by 7.34pm the main fire had been extinguished and damping down operations were being carried out.

Around 80% of the garage floor measuring 20 meters by 15 metres were severely damaged by the fire, which happened on Thursday September 5.

A power company were requested to attend the incident, the digging team located the main supply cable and made the building safe for firefighters to enter. Fire crews inspected the inside of the building to ensure the fire was fully extinguished before leaving the scene at 11.45pm.

The suspected cause of the fire was an electrical fault on the main electricity supply intake.

Two fire applications from Liverpool City Council Fire Station attended the call out.

Aintree Hospital's Dave will represent Team GB



55 year old Dave Lovatt will take part in the World Triathlon Championships

A PHYSIOTHERAPIST from Merseyside will represent Great Britain in the World Triathlon Championships.

Dave Lovatt, 55, who works at Aintree University Hospital, will compete against hundreds of athletes from across the globe at the event, which takes place in London from Friday. (September 13)

Dave said: "I've been a keen runner since my twenties but as I've got older I've realised the benefits of different types of exercise. It's an honour to represent your country but it's also important that, as a physiotherapist, I practice what I preach. My colleagues at Aintree have been so supportive and they'll be

willing me on to get a personal best. I'm hoping to finish in under two hours 20 minutes."

The event in London, which will be televised by the BBC, will see him swim 1,500m in the Serpentine followed by a 40k bike ride around some of the capital's biggest landmarks, finishing with a 10k run through Hyde Park.





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Les to strut his stuff on the catwalk

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

A MERSEYSIDE man is set to sparkle on the catwalk at Breast Cancer Care's upcoming annual London fashion show.

On Wednesday October 2, Les Scaife will strut his stuff alongside 23 other inspiring men and women who aim to show that it is possible to regain your confidence and look glamorous after a breast cancer diagnosis.

Les told The Champion that he decided to take part in The Show because it reflects his positive outlook.

"I was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2012 and at first thought it was serious, but having caught it early it has proved to be no problem at all.

"Once the tumor was removed it was just a matter of recovering. That took about a week. Two days after that I was on a plane to Australia.

"I am taking part in the Fashion Show to illustrate that being positive, and with the proper care and support, breast cancer is not the demon it was a few years ago.

"This Fashion Show is to raise valuable funds to provide support for those diagnosed with breast cancer. This support is so important throughout the various medical processes involved in treating breast cancer."

Les, from Southport, added: "Thanks to Breast Cancer Care for giving us the opportunity to demonstrate on the Catwalk our wellbeing, and that we can live life to the full following our experience.

"Breast Cancer Care Chief Executive, Samia al Qadhi said: "We are all extremely excited to see our inspiring models take to the catwalk in



Les will take to the catwalk in London for Breast Cancer Care Code NA

front of their friends and families to celebrate life after a breast cancer diagnosis.

"It's a wonderful event and a lovely opportunity for our models to enjoy a once in a lifetime experience while raising money to help others affected by breast cancer."

The models will wear a range of designer clothing from fashion's elite including Alexander McQueen, Stella McCartney and Vivienne Westwood.

To book a ticket and support Les, or for more information visit www.breastcancer.care.org.uk/theshow

Residents give thumbs up for Anfield regeneration project

Report by
Holly Rummens

MORE than 80 per cent of Anfield residents have backed proposals for the regeneration of North Liverpool.

A consortium led by Liverpool City Council with support from Your Housing Group, Liverpool Football Club and other partners including Keepmoat Ltd unveiled a vision to transform the Anfield district, which has now been given the thumbs up by local residents and businesses.

Over 1,700 members of the public provided valuable feedback during a six week consultation, which helped shape the latest plans for the area.

Liverpool Mayor Joe Anderson said: “People have given us invaluable information about the regeneration ideas we unveiled. In the coming weeks we will use this information to refine our proposals and to undertake another listening and consultation exercise. We believe the plans are exciting and will deliver a massive improvement in quality of life for many thousands of people and be of major benefit to the city not just Anfield.”

The latest ideas include new housing, shopping facilities, office buildings, a hotel and the creation of a major new pedestrian friendly avenue and public square.

There is also a proposal to complete the restoration of Stanley Park and to build a food hub at its centre which would offer food retail units, production and training facilities.

As part of the scheme, Liverpool Football Club



Joe Anderson

has stated its preference is to expand its stadium depending on feasibility and the community and home owners support.

Liverpool Football Club managing director Ian Ayre said: “The findings of this engagement exercise was a key milestone for the regeneration of Anfield. The Club has a track record of working successfully with the city council to drive forward improvements to the area, having made a major investment towards the transformation of Stanley Park.”



Anfield Stadium

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Altogether, the proposals could amount to some £260m investment and create 700 long-term jobs in one of the most deprived areas of the city.

During the consultation, some 97 percent of residents agreed it was important to improve the street scene, while a further 83 percent backed plans for restoration of Stanley Park.

Out of those questioned more than 90 percent of people supported the call for Walton Breck

Road to become a more vibrant community centre both on and off match days.

After taking into account people’s ideas for the Anfield Project a spatial regeneration framework will be drawn up for a formal public consultation before being considered for official endorsement by the city council.

Residents can go along to a drop in session at the Anfield Project Office, Burnand Street, on Thursday September 12 starting at

Top marks for city schools

Report by
Holly Rummens

MORE than 140 schools in Liverpool have been praised by the Chief Inspector of Ofsted for being rated good or better since last September.

On the same day that Sir Michael Wilshaw is commending the head teachers for their hard work, Ofsted published the latest statistics on inspection outcomes for the nation’s state schools, which shown Liverpool to be one of the best in the region for making improvements.

During August 2012, 128 schools were rated Good or better by Ofsted, now a year on, the number has risen to 141 schools receiving outstanding reports.

Meaning 83% of pupils in Liverpool now attend primary or secondary schools that have been rated good or outstanding, with other local authorities also seeing a significant improvement.

The dramatic increase reflects the most rapid rate of national improvement in school performance across England in Ofsted’s 21 year history.

Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector Sir Michael Wilshaw said: “The unprecedented rate of national improvement that this new data shows is cause for celebration.

“Thanks to the work of dedicated teachers and outstanding headteachers up and down the country, England’s school system is making some genuine and radical advances.

“It means that thousands more children are getting at least a good standard of education. I am delighted to be able to come here and deliver the good news.”

In September 2012, a new grade of ‘requires improvement’ replaced the previous ‘satisfactory’ grade, with schools in this new category given a prescribed four years to improve or face the prospect of being judged inadequate.

“Work undertaken by the Force shows that many of the firearms incidents we see on Merseyside are linked to the cultivation of cannabis and those involved in cannabis cultivation do not care about the consequences that their actions have on communities and we will not tolerate this kind of behaviour.”

Those arrested were taken to police stations across Merseyside.

Cannabis farms discovered in raids

FOUR cannabis farms were discovered following a series of dawn raids on a number of properties across Liverpool.

Seven men aged between 20 – 51 years were subsequently arrested on suspicion of conspiracy to produce cannabis after officers from the specialist Matrix team executed drug warrants to 10 addresses.

The early morning raids saw cannabis farms discovered at properties in Kirkdale, Anfield,

Fazakerley and Tuebrook with an estimated yield of £250,000.

Searches at addresses in Liverpool City Centre, Childwall, Toxteth, West Derby, Huyton and Eldonian Village were also carried out as part of the 10 month investigation.

DI Dominic Harrison of Merseyside police said: ““We are committed to stamping out the illegal drug-dealing activities that cause misery to the lives of so many.

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Patsy pens book to help her get through husband's death

by **Tom Martin**

A WIFE wrote a book during the time of her husband's death to help get through the experience.

Patsy Moorhead, 73, of College Road, wrote 'Another Day' after her Bob Moorhead was diagnosed with dementia.

They were married for 50 years before Bob died from the illness at the age of 73 in July 2012 – just two days before their 51st wedding anniversary.

Patsy said: "I found that writing the book helped because I documented some of the positive memories of our life."

"I have written this short book so that people can become aware of the pain of dementia for families".

Patsy, originally from London, met Bob in Trafalgar Square on New Year's Eve and she actually refused his request for a midnight kiss!

She added: "Before I moved to Liverpool I lived in the East End and Bob was from South Africa."

"After we first got together, we never looked back and we had a



Patsy Moorhead and her husband Bob

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daughter called Debbie and a son called David.

"Bob was first diagnosed with cancer but when the dementia began I didn't know what to do."

"The only way to solve this terrible illness is through research and if people are made aware of this

hopefully there will be a cure in the future." Patsy has promised to donate half of any proceeds to help the neuroscience research carried out at the University of Manchester. 'Another Day' is available to buy online for £5.99 or you can download it from a kindle for £2.01.

Opponents of wind farm are being kept in dark, claims MP

Report by **Jim Sharpe**

ARE the opponents of a large wind farm at the lower Alt between Lydiate and Ince Blundell being kept in the dark over new questions of safety?

South Sefton MP, Bill Esterson thinks they may be.

According to a national newspaper, a report has been compiled by the Government questioning the safety of on-shore wind farms. It appears that Lib Dem ministers have tried to prevent its publication, claims the Labour MP.

Mr Esterson told the Champion: "I have written to the Lib Dem Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change, Ed Davey, requesting a copy of the report. It appears the Lib Dem side of the coalition is strongly in favour of wind farms, while the Conservatives have more mixed views on the subject."

"But if evidence has been produced showing safety concerns to people living nearby, than this should be published."

"Clearly we need to explore all the options for renewable energy, but those affected by wind farms need to know the truth. I hope that the Secretary of State has not suppressed a report about the safety of wind farms and I have



Bill Esterson MP

asked him to send me a copy or explain why he is refusing to do so.

"My constituents have the right to see all the evidence both positive and negative, and to know what if any risk they face from the plans for a large wind farm near where they live."

"It would be reckless to deny people the information and it would be profoundly disturbing if the Lib Dems – or for that matter the Conservatives – decided not to publish such information."

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Stroke centre staff swap stethoscopes for Snowdon



Drs Anil Sharma and Claire Cullen, Consultant Physicians, along with the rest of the Stroke Team who will be climbing Mount Snowdon. Code NA

Report by **Holly Rummens**

STAFF at Fazakerley Hospital have taken on one of the UK's highest mountain climbs to raise money for the stroke centre.

With the support of former stroke patients, the hospital's stroke team took on Mount Snowdon on Saturday September 7 to raise money for Aintree's Stroke Centre, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year.

The Stroke Centre at Aintree is one of the first acute stroke units to be established in the UK and has now been providing quality care for two decades, treating more than 10,000

patients in that time.

At 3,560ft, Mount Snowdon is the third highest peak in the UK. The group will be battling the elements along the mountain's nine mile Llanberis Path. As well as helping raise funds to support developments at the Stroke Centre, the climb is set to celebrate the team's round the clock specialist service – particularly that of Dr Anil Sharma, who helped bring the centre to its fruition.

Dr Sharma, who has been a Consultant Physician at Aintree since 1980 and has committed the last 20 years setting up and developing the

Stroke Centre, said: "Aintree has been a huge part of my working life and I consider my colleagues and patients as friends. It will be fantastic to be able to share this experience with them whilst also raising some money for a very worthwhile cause."

A further celebration of the Stroke Centre's 20th anniversary is set to take place in the form of a charity black tie event being held on 1st November, marking the success of the centre.

Have a story to tell? Why not get in touch with our Anfield and Walton reporter Holly Rummens. Contact her via holly.rummens@champnews.com or call 01704 392 401

Arrest warrant issued for Anfield dangerous driver

A WARRANT has been issued for the arrest of an Anfield man accused of causing death by dangerous driving after he failed to turn up for trial.

Adam Gouthwaite, of Dacy Road, Anfield, was accused of being the driver of a stolen car which crashed into a tree in Willaston, in the Wirral.

Following the crash the 26 year old was charged over the death of the 16 year old passenger, Adam McGunnigle.

The teenager's body was found in the wreckage of the stolen Renault Megane in Hooton Road after it crashed just after 1am of December 14 last year.

As well as the charge of causing death by dangerous driving, Gouthwaite was also facing trial over aggravated vehicle taking and driving while uninsured.

A Cheshire Police spokesman said: "A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a Liverpool man who failed to attend court for trial for a fatal road traffic collision in Ellesmere Port.

"Adam Gouthwaite, 26, from Anfield, was due to appear at Chester Crown Court charged with death by dangerous driving and aggravated vehicle taking, however he did not turn up. The trial was in relation to a collision that happened on Hooton Road, Willaston in the early hours of Tuesday December 4 2012, where a stolen blue Renault Megane crashed into a tree.

"A 16-year-old boy, Adam Jake McGunnigle, sadly died as a result of the collision and Gouthwaite was arrested later that evening in North Wales."

Men accused of attempted Pontins theft

TWO WALTON men have been accused of being in possession of the master key to the chalets at Southport's Pontins and having the intention to steal.

Both Mark Maverick, 20, of Rice Lane, and Curtis Rowson, 23, of Church Road West, pleaded not guilty to the charge of going equipped for theft, when they appeared at Sefton Magistrates on September 4.

They will face trial at the same court on November 27 and were bailed on condition they stayed away from the holiday park.

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Residents invited to launch of new health champion

RESIDENTS are invited to celebrate the launch of Sefton's new independent health and social care champion. Healthwatch Sefton captures the views and experiences of

local people and works with service providers to improve health and social care across the borough. The public launch will take place from 10am on Tuesday, October 1 at Crosby Civic Hall,

six months after the organisation was established. Chair, Maureen Kelly said: "We hope local residents can join us and get involved in improving local health and social care services."

If you would like to attend the Healthwatch Sefton launch event or would like more information, call 0151 920 0726 ext. 240 or visit www.healthwatchsefton.co.uk/events.

Garage burglars caught in the act by priest

By Court Reporter

TWO burglars stealing from a church property were caught after the priest spotted them in the act and gave their descriptions to police.

Reverend Denise Hayes, of St Philip's Church, Orrell Road, Litherland, was disturbed in the early hours of August 13 by the sound of the vicarage's garage door opening.

Going to investigate she saw the two men, along with a Jack Russell dog, and watched them make off with a bicycle.

She contacted police who immediately went to the location and after making a search found the men with the bike walking down Gorsey Lane near the cemetery.

Peter Rafferty, 41, and Antony Coleman, 35, both of Poulson Drive, Bootle, pleaded guilty to burglary of a dwelling and theft when they appeared at Sefton Magistrates Court; Rafferty on September 3, and Coleman on September 5.

Andrew Page, prosecuting Coleman, said that when they were stopped there was a strong smell of alcohol coming from Coleman, who had the bike.

Denying then that he'd stolen it, Coleman said he'd found it on the street: "I thought I was in luck", he told police.

When asked why he didn't hand it in, he said: "If you find £50 on the floor you wouldn't take it to the police station."

Page also said: "He denied making the comment 'don't run too fast or she won't be able to catch us'."

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Coleman's solicitor, Mr Jones, said he was in breach of a conditional discharge given in October 2012 for bridging his electricity meter.

During Rafferty's prosecution, the court heard that Rafferty denied entering the garage but admitted being with Coleman while the theft took place.

Solicitor Miss Barrow, representing Rafferty, who has previous convictions for shoplifting and burglary, said he had not offended between 2005 and 2012 after successfully completing an alcohol treatment programme but "fell off the wagon" last year.

She emphasised that the lock to the garage was broken and the door was not forced.

Both men were remanded in custody while probation reports are compiled and they will be sentenced on September 17.

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Litherland History Society recalls town's war role

Report by **Tom Martin**

THE Litherland History Society is staging an event to remember the role its town played in the Second World War.

The annual exhibition, which is open for anyone to attend, is set to take place following the success it has had in the last two years.

It will involve people sharing their memories and bringing any war memorabilia that they may have kept.

The event will be held on Saturday, September 21 at the Pavilion on Hatton Hill Road, Litherland between 10am-4pm.

Project organiser, Barbara Smith, said: "It's

our third event and we want anyone interested to come along and get involved.

"We have chosen the theme 'Litherland at War' because not a lot of people know that our town has a lot of history when it comes to the war."

The town was heavily bombed during the years 1939-1945 because it was so close to the dock and planes targeted the factories.

"The event actually starts on Friday but we are fully booked up due to popular demand and we have school children who are coming to visit.

"But if anyone is interested they are welcome to come and get involved on the Saturday".

If you want further details, please contact Barbara on: 0151 920 8782.

Green Gym to hold late summer barbeque

THE Green Gym in Crosby will be holding their late-summer barbeque on Saturday (September 15).

The award-winning Green Gym is run by the Queensway Allotments Association, which has Royal Horticultural Society

green flag status for its achievements and it provides healthy exercise for members and supporters through gardening.

It also provides occasional work parties for projects in parks and public gardens.

There will be a tombola, a cake stall, and a silent auction - where bids are written down and the winner is the highest bidder at closing time.

The barbeque is at the Queensway Allotments in Crosby, from 2pm.

Church hosts drop in centre

A CHURCH in Litherland is set to open its doors for a new event to help bring together the community.

St Philips Church, on Orrell Road, have decided to offer a "drop in centre" for anyone to come along and get involved in some of the activities on offer.

It is the first time they will host the event, called Umbrella, but they are already hoping it can turn into a monthly event.

Churchwarden, Pat Martin, said: "We are a friendly group and we want to encourage people of all ages to attend and introduce themselves to the

church.

"As Umbrella is the first event, it will be a general meet and greet but we will put on activities if we stage later events.

"One thing we will look to organist is jewellery making but we are already thinking of more ideas.

"I am really hopeful of a good turnout and if this is the case we will look to establish it as a monthly event".

It will take place on Saturday September 21 between 1pm-3pm. Umbrella can be contacted on 0151 9224941.

To Kenya with Love... and a good helping of clotted cream!

YOU are invited to a splendid Cornish clotted cream tea - while at the same time helping to get Kenyan children a good education - on Saturday (Sept 14).

Maghull Baptist Church in Hall Lane is holding this annual fundraising event to support 'To Kenya with Love', a charity that provides nursery and primary education, accommodation, food and healthcare for disadvantaged children in Kisumu, Kenya. It also provides vocational training and holds out the hope of breaking the cycle of poverty and dependence.

Three permanent classrooms, a toilet block and improved facilities have already been built with a two-storey permanent eight-classroom primary school under construction.

Baptist Church fundraiser Geoff Halligan said this event always gets a lot of support. "Over the years it has grown and grown," he said. "It has gone from being a small church fundraiser to become a major community event."

Last year the cream tea raised nearly £2,000 for the charity.

"It really is excellent," said Geoff. "We have real



MP Bill Esterson with To Kenya With Love trustee Diane Ball promoting Cornish Clotted Cream Tea charity fundraiser

Report by **Jim Sharpe**

Cornish clotted cream, kindly donated by Rodda's creamery in Cornwall. They have done this every year since a Cornish woman came along - and suggested we should really use proper Cornish cream. So I wrote to Rodda's who were more than happy to help. They have been supplying clotted cream - free - ever since." So on Saturday you can come and taste for yourself! There are other refreshments available too plus videos of the charity's work in Kenya.

One VIP guest will be

Sefton Central MP, Bill Esterson, who met Di Ball. Di, a member of the Maghull Baptist Church, and her husband Phil, worked in Kisumu until they started a family. Now they are trustees of the charity.

Bill said Di had told him of the work 'To Kenya with Love' does. "They are making a real difference to the lives of youngsters in a really deprived part of the world," he told the Champion. They do fantastic work."

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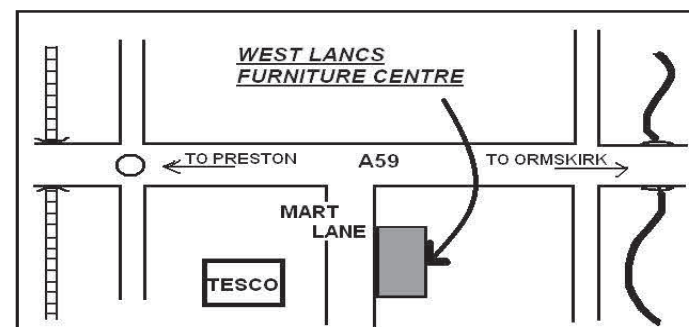
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Son stole cars, TV and jewellery from parents while they were on holiday abroad, court told

by our court reporter

SEFTON Magistrates Court have heard how a Bootle couple came home from a holiday abroad to discover their son had sold both their cars, their TV, and pawned some of their gold jewellery.

Shaun Kelly, 25, had been left alone at the family's property at Timon Avenue while his mum and dad went away. They had locked their bedroom door and put away the documents for the two cars.

However, the court heard that Kelly broke

into the room and took a gold cross and chain, and pawned them for cash. He also sold their TV and sold their cars for £150 and £120 to a scrap yard.

Appearing before magistrates on September 4, Kelly pleaded guilty to multiple charges of theft and false representation, and one of trespassing his parent's bedroom.

Lynne Ingman, prosecuting, said that his parents had suspected that Shaun was responsible for the missing property, but found out about the pawning of the jewellery when they received a letter from the Money Shop, which made reference to it.

She said that Shaun handed himself into the police, however, before they made a

complaint. During an interview with the police, she said that Kelly told them "he knew he was never going to get away with it."

"He fully admitted to stealing from his parents bedroom, but intended to get the items back.

"He was selling them on to pay off an ever increasing drug debt," she said. He also admitted stealing the other items and the cars were subsequently recovered.

Spiralled

The court heard that Kelly received a suspended sentence in 2009 for burglary, theft and false representation, and an unpaid work

order for theft from a dwelling the year before that. He was also convicted of making false representation in 2007 for which he received an unpaid work order.

His solicitor said in mitigation that he had lost his job at Jaguar Land Rover earlier this year and that his life "spiralled into a mess with drugs."

Saying that because of his last conviction in 2009, which was for a similar offence against his cousin, she said: "He knows that he will most likely end up with a custodial sentence." Adding that in the meantime, "He wants to address issues with his drug habit."

Bailing Kelly, the magistrates sent the case to Liverpool Crown Court for sentencing.



The outdoor market took place here at Crosby village.

Town's outdoor market could become a monthly event

TRADERS have urged the council to make the outdoor market in Crosby a monthly event following its success last month.

The revamped market, which took place on Thursday, August 29, was organised by Crosby Town Team and featured a variety of stalls, fairground rides and a bouncy castle.

Now, Sefton Council have confirmed that there are talks to make it a monthly event and this idea has been met with open arms from local businesses.

Stephen Pritchard, 61, owner of Pritchards Bookshop said: "If the council decide to make it a monthly event then it would be fantastic!

"It was lovely to see the village thriving once again and there were lots of people here.

"In a way it was too successful because by the time I had a chance to visit the stalls everything was sold out!

But Stephen admitted that the council would need to make slight changes if it wants to improve the event in the future.

"The only draw back was that it was held on a working day and I think it would be better if it was on a Saturday.

"Of course, it will need tweaking over time but it would

Report by **Tom Martin**

be brilliant news if it was to continue."

One of the main reasons behind the success was customers of the market then visiting the surrounding shops.

It was the first outdoor market of its kind in Crosby and it attracted hundreds of shoppers to the area.

And it certainly had a lot of advantages for the owner of the George Hotel, Karen Gorden, who said: "I thought the market was absolutely brilliant for the local community and it was nice to see so many people turn up.

"I think the best part was all the different stalls because it had something for everyone.

"It was also great for our business because we got lots of customers wanting food and drink from our kitchen.

"The only problem was that traders were not told of the market in advance but that can always be improved in the future".

A spokesperson for Sefton Council said: "There is a real will from the Town Team and the market operators to establish it as a monthly event and this is currently being looked at".

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'Peek A Boo' friends turn their passion for the 50s into new business venture

Report by **Holly Rummens**

TWO Friends from Crosby have turned their passion and fondness of the 1950s into a unique business venture sending women back into an era of feminine glamour.

Kate Heney and Alex Hurst have combined their 15 years of specialist photography and make up skills to establish Peek A Boo Photography, which offers people 1950s style pin up photo shoots.

Kate, a professional make up artist said: "Peek A Boo is dedicated to making woman of all shapes look fantastic.

"We think all women are beautiful, age and shape is irrelevant. All our girls have fun and relax, this is what makes them confident and it shines through on their photographs."

The two entrepreneurs felt like they were perfectly matched for the challenge ahead as they had been friends for almost 10 years and both had a wealth of professional experience behind them.

Alex, a former music photographer added: "About two years ago we created a couple of portfolios together and shortly after some of the models



Kate Heney and Alex Hurst.

Code NA

involved put their photos on Facebook and it got loads of likes and comments. That's when we decided to create our 50s style pin up business.

"The 40s and 50s are a lovely era to try to replicate. Post war people just wanted to let go and leave the past behind them. The fashion was great, make up was glamorous and people had hair spray so lots of fun new hair styles came about, like the iconic victory roll. Also, photography had just become more accessible to

people, which is great for us because it has provided us with plenty of original pictures to recreate."

Their studio is based in Elevator, a 200 year old warehouse in the creative quarter of Liverpool and provides an intimate space to guarantee complete privacy.

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Champion **LETTERS to the Editor**

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Housing development has improved a once derelict area

Over the last two or three years, there was a lot of controversy over the proposals by Sefton Council to allow a private housing development by Bellway Homes on waste ground running between Church Road and Spooner Avenue, Litherland.

The land had been left neglected over a number of years and it soon became a dogs' toilet for people walking their dogs.

Then it became overgrown with weeds and bramble to a height of three to four feet and the iron railings around the field were rusting away and falling down.

Over the last twelve months, we had Sefton Council's involvement with pest control to our rear garden (which backs onto the site) on three occasions because of rats!

This is now a building site, and I have

sympathy for some residents who will have large dwellings looking over their rear gardens.

But what a difference this has made for the majority of residents in the area!

The houses now appearing look brilliant along Spooner Avenue and this can only add value to our existing properties.

I was apprehensive about building on this site at first and spoke to the site agent who was very helpful with any concerns I and my family had.

There are a lot of elderly residents in the area and I don't think that any of them should be concerned about the site for I think that it will only enhance this area.

Well done Bellway.

Name and address supplied, Litherland.

So sad that talented tree artist was forced to give up his work

I was so upset to read in The Champion about the tree artist giving up his work within Victoria Park, due to bullying and anti-social behaviour.

He has done a fantastic job, and is very talented.

Myself and my family have enjoyed looking at his work when visiting the park.

I too have noticed and experienced anti-social behaviour in and around the park.

I was recently walking my two Jack Russell dogs when a gang of three lads around 12-14 years of age started throwing stones in my direction.

I turned and stood my ground and they eventually stopped. Only the other day,

again whilst walking my dogs, a teenage lad was walking his two dogs, one of my dogs went up to say hello, to get the response "F*** of you stupid little b*****."

His dogs were only small, and they weren't as big as mine, so he wasn't trying to scare my dog away, he was just being rude and abusive.

Not all children and teenagers around the park are like this, there are some really nice kids who are just there to enjoy themselves.

But I decided to walk my dogs around the local streets instead of the park, until the school term started.

Sandra Branford-Ellis,
Crosby

PICTURE of the week

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A quick word in your ear

Traffic Bear and Bentley Bear mascots who put in an appearance last Sunday when members of Sporting Bears Motor Club staged their 'Dream Ride' at the Aintree Circuit.

The event gives disadvantaged youngsters the chance ride as passengers in a range of supercars.

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Martyn Snape.

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We are not the 'rabid few'

Re: Jim Sharpe's piece about dog dirt (Champion, August 14).

'Rabid few' are we? Rather a huge group who are frustrated and angry at having to clear up after others.

It is entirely possible that Mr Sharpe is able to walk Aughton, Maghull and Ormskirk's foul-free pavements as the dog owners of these areas are bringing their animals to Bootle to use as a toilet.

Believe me, dog mess is not a 'very rare' sight in Bailey Drive, Orrell Lane, Moss Lane etc., rather it is the norm.

Only today I have had to clear my gateway and I will probably have to clear it again through the week.

Responsible dog owners such as Mr Sharpe should not try to deny that there is a massive problem with fouling.

As for litter dropping, of course this is a huge issue but please do not insult us by bringing this into the dog fouling debate.

Donald Satterthwaite,
Bootle

Let's all set a clean example

Re: AC's letter Jim Couldn't Be More Wrong On Dog Fouling and they are quite right.

I do not own a dog but walk them and constantly find dog poop in parks and on roads myself and have begun to pick it up.

Also along my walks in parks and on the marina I find litter that has been left for others to pick up and dispose of.

We have wonderful areas to walk in but some people seem to think it's perfectly fine to drop litter and leave cans and bottles on the ground.

We can always isolate one section of society and say they are responsible but we all are!

I was always taught if there is not a bin to put litter in take it home and we should.

Let's start caring about where we live. Why don't all of us set an example and put litter in bins and if they are full to take it home with us.

It is nobody's job but ours.

We would really have a cleaner Waterloo!

A Evans, Waterloo

Old men should not wear shorts!

What on earth is happening to the middle aged and old men in Bootle?

Suddenly many of them have taken to wearing shorts around the town even when it's cold or raining.

What they actually look like with white legs, knobbly knees and varicose veins are ageing schoolboys.

To give some comparison, imagine the howls of derision should middle aged or old woman suddenly start to wear shorts to go shopping.

No, don't worry, it's alright, woman have more sense.

Bootle resident, By email

Old Roan has a long history

As a regular of the Old Roan pub I would like to add my name to the petition to have the pub reopened as soon as possible.

The licensee paid, out of his own pocket, for extra TVs to be put up in the pub for the benefit of customers watching football.

This pub can not be allowed to remain shut and fall into decay.

It was first licensed in 1620 and has a great deal of history, which I am trying to research.

Eddie Hanna,
By email

We're delighted police closed it

I and my neighbours are delighted The Old Roan pub has closed.

Over the past two years it's been hell.

The pub attracts the wrong people, and the loud noise late at night was unbelievable.

I often saw fighting outside from my bedroom window and recently it was worse than ever.

I know it's an old pub with history, but times have changed and it should be closed for good.

Please print this in your paper.

People who live by the pub all agree, it's been fantastic since it shut.

Thank you, the police, well done.

Name supplied, By email

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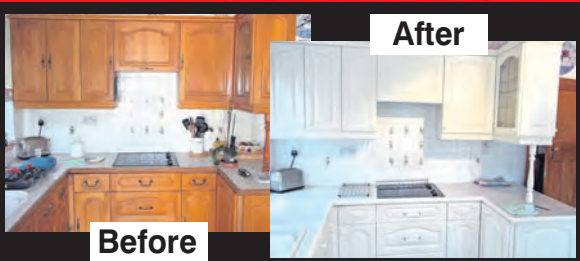
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Rajah the elephant revisits its home

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

THE mechanical elephant that stars in the Crosby Carnival visited its birthplace in Lancaster recently.

Seven-foot tall Rajah, the mascot for the Crosby Lions charity, was built in the late 1950s at Luneside Engineering works in Halton.

More than 250 visitors attended Rajah's official homecoming when revisited the site to help celebrate the reopening of engineering works as an eco-friendly community hub renamed Halton Mill.

The idea came from hub manager Chris Coates who discovered that the mechanical elephants which were used as a children's ride at seaside resorts including Blackpool and Morecambe were made at the site by tourism firm Macadese Entertainment Ltd.

He set about tracing one – and found Rajah, who is believed to be one of just two working Luneside elephants left.

Stephen Fawcett, who worked at Luneside Engineering in the 1980s with his father, said at the reopening: "I heard a lot about the elephants when I worked here but had never seen one before."

"It is great to be here today and meet up with all the others. Luneside Engineering was a brilliant place to work, it had a great sense of camaraderie."

His father John Fawcett added: "We could turn our hands to anything."

"I saw the building a couple of years ago and it looked pretty rough so I'm pleased to see it being used and brought back to its former glory."

Eric Smith, whose father Frank designed the elephants, said that he missed out on seeing them when they were built – but made the trip to Lancaster to see them this time. He said:



Rajah at the Halton Mill opening.

"My father had been to Bellevue amusement park and saw a real elephant, and came back saying his was going to make a mechanical elephant."

"I was 16 then and more interested in going out, but I couldn't miss the chance to see it today."

The 250cc elephant, which can carry up to eight children depending on size, has now returned to his home in Crosby.

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Slimmers raise £s while losing pounds

Report by
Danielle Thompson

SLIMMERS have raised pounds while losing the pounds by fundraising more than £300 on a two mile walk around Netherton.

Members of the St Benet's Slimming World club on Chapel Lane – and their pets! – completed the walk recently, raising £340 for Cancer Research UK.

They have previously donated bags of clothes to Cancer Research UK, which is one of Slimming World's charity partners for 2013.

Since the group started up last October, they have also fundraised for other charities including Autism Initiatives.

Dawn Murray, who runs the group, said: "The members are always so supportive of one another and each other's weight loss journey. I am very proud of them all! There are huge health benefits associated with reducing weight even by as little as 10% as this can really help to reduce



St Benet's slimmers walked two miles

our risk of developing certain types of cancers that can occur as a result of being overweight.

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"But the heart of Slimming World is the support the members receive every week in the group as we know it's very hard to lose weight on your own – and any new members are always welcome."

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Man charged with robbery

A MAN from Kirkby has been charged with the robbery of £380 and 12 packets of cigarettes from a Maghull woman.

Liam Field, 18, of Spicer Grove, appeared at Sefton Magistrates on September 3,

just to give confirm his name and address. He will appear at Liverpool Crown Court on September 17.

The victim was named as Karen Johnson and the robbery took place on January 25, 2012 in Maghull.

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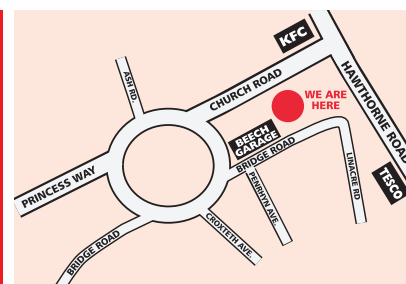
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Safari Park in hunt for budding Tour of Britain reporter

KNOWSLEY Safari Park is on the look out for Merseyside's budding young journalists to report on the return to the park of The Tour of Britain race later this month.

The chosen reporter will join the world's cycling press at Knowsley where they will be given the chance to have an exclusive interview with the riders and attend a mini press conference after the 16 kilometre time trial, on Tuesday, September 17.

Their final report will be published on Knowsley Safari Park's website and social media sites.

Any aspiring reporters aged 9 to 15 years are invited to submit a short video or article explaining why they want to report on the excitement by the latest of Friday September

13. Rachel Scott, Head of Marketing at Knowsley Safari said: "Last year's Tour of Britain event was a fantastic community affair with over 3,500 people gathering to see Leigh Howard sprint to victory over the finish line.

"This year is set to be bigger and better and our cub reporter will have the opportunity to get right in the heart of the action."

The Tour of Britain is returning to Knowsley Safari Park this year to mark its 10th anniversary. While the line-up for the Tour hasn't yet been finalised, big names from the world of cycling are expected to be taking part including Sir Bradley Wiggins.

• Send your entries to knowsley.safari@wearedemocracy.co.uk

Merseyrail want train booze ban

MERSEYRAIL are attempting to change their current bylaw by preventing any alcohol consumption throughout the entire network, during the whole year.

Currently under their existing railway bylaws, people who are in an unfit state of intoxication can be removed from the railway. While over the Christmas period the banning of alcohol is in place across

five underground stations, meaning from mid-November through to Christmas Eve it is not permitted to consume alcohol.

Merseyrail have now contacted the Department for Transport to register the request to prevent the consumption of alcohol throughout the whole year and are hoping to have the ban in place by the end of January 2014.

David Foster, safety and assurance director, said: "It is very encouraging that such accidents are coming down, and while we urge everyone to use the Merseyrail network, we will not allow people into stations and trains if they are clearly under the influence of alcohol.

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It's amazing how holiday 'mode' transforms strangers into friends

THERE'S nowt so queer as folks and that holds true in a very positive way sometimes.

Because I discovered a whole new side to people while I was enjoying my boating holiday in Norfolk recently – a side you see but rarely in 'real' life.

I know there are exceptions, but generally speaking many people go from day to day for years hardly doing more than passing the time of day with their neighbours, while the ever-present motor car means there's precious little time to actually talk to anybody when you're out of the house but not at work.

But clamber aboard a boat – or, I suspect, your caravan or set up your tent – and everything and everybody seems to change.

This was brought home to me when I was chatting to a woman from another boat moored a little distance from 'Manxman' and a first-time holidaymaker on the Broads. She said she had been amazed at how helpful everyone had been and how nice it was actually to talk to different people from all kinds of backgrounds.

I suppose one advantage of casually meeting different people every day – and occasionally meeting them by chance in another place on a different day – is that you never really have the chance to be contentious or find out



what, to you, might be horrible habits or gross opinions.

It really is a case of being offered a packet of sugar if you mention you've run short and had asked where the nearest shop might be.

And if you spot a boat obviously in trouble on the river, you ask if you can help. Partly this is probably because if the boat was on the other foot you'd hope someone would do the same for you, but it doesn't happen when you spot a broken down car by the roadside, does it?

Mind you, even in the bucolic setting of the river, the mobile phone has rather spoiled it. Only a few years ago, hardly a holiday went by without 'Manxman' towing some broken down boat to a boatyard – and in more than one case over the years suffering that indignity ourselves. And when it does happen to you, you're not only relieved but genuinely grateful that someone cared enough to help you out.

Now, most often the reply is that they have already phoned for help, so 'thanks, but no thanks'. Which is a pity because we formed a lasting friendship with a couple whose craft had broken down and which we towed quite a distance over, as it turned out, two days. And there are others we've helped who still wave enthusiastically whenever we pass on the river.

I know you can strike up friendships with people you meet in your hotel on holiday. But somehow I don't think you can quite experience the camaraderie of getting to know, if only briefly, all sorts of folk who then will remember you again.

This holiday for instance, a gent approached me and asked: "Did you get it fixed then?" It took a few seconds to recall that the last time I had spoken to him was miles and days back when my brother was repairing our paintwork caused by an errant dinghy.

But this chap, that I didn't know from Adam, remembered – and cared. Nice that.

It's just a pity that I'm back to the grind, where the only people generally who talk casually to me on the streets are other dog owners exercising their pets.



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Road safety charity gives advice on 'flash for cash' scams

MOTORISTS are to be offered advice by a road safety charity on how to avoid so-called 'flash for cash' scams.

The Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM), which aims to raise awareness of the problem, has outlined tips which drivers can follow to avoid falling victim to fraudsters.

The scam involves the scammer offering another driver the right of way at a junction or turning but then deliberately crashing into the other car with the intention of claiming for damage and/or injuries on the innocent driver's insurance.

IAM chief examiner, Peter Rodger, said: "Flash for cash scams are costing millions of pounds through our insurance premiums and some are so reckless that they risk lives. You should make sure you drive carefully to minimise your chances of having to deal with a collision."

The charity urges drivers who are 'flashed' to go by another road-user to acknowledge them but to refuse to go until the road is completely clear.

They say it is important to look ahead and

Report by **Tom Martin**

anticipate hazards so you are not 'cornered' into a crash you can't avoid.

The organisation, the UK's largest independent road safety charity, also offers advice if you find yourself involved in a crash that you can't avoid.

Mr Rodger added: "Collisions are stressful and emotionally draining but it's important to be prepared in case you are involved in one."

If you suspect that you are a victim of a scam, don't confront the suspected scammer directly at the scene but try and keep careful and accurate notes.

Try to take pictures of any damage to the vehicles involved and remember a description of the driver.

If you need the emergency services, call 999 and describe the incident in detail.

Above all else, try to remain calm and don't refuse to swap details as you will have to do this whatever happens.

Health Visiting Services restructured

LIVERPOOL Community Health NHS Trust is making improvements to the way its Health Visiting Services are being delivered across Liverpool and Sefton.

From this September, the Trust's health visitors will be restructured into nine new area teams, with a new team leader overseeing the day to day operations of each team.

The new scheme will see a total of 16 additional, newly qualified health visitors take up full time posts within LCH, plus a cohort of 17 more health visiting students will also join the Trust to complete

the health visiting qualification this year.

Sheila Dalby, Head of Childrens Services at Liverpool Community Health explains: "We have reviewed our current health visiting workforce and working practices, and have identified an approach which we believe will provide better value for money, and will better meet the needs of our communities in the future."

"These new team structures will enable us to provide a greater equity of service for families across all areas of Sefton and Liverpool, and also

importantly, will support us in achieving improved health outcomes for our children and young people."

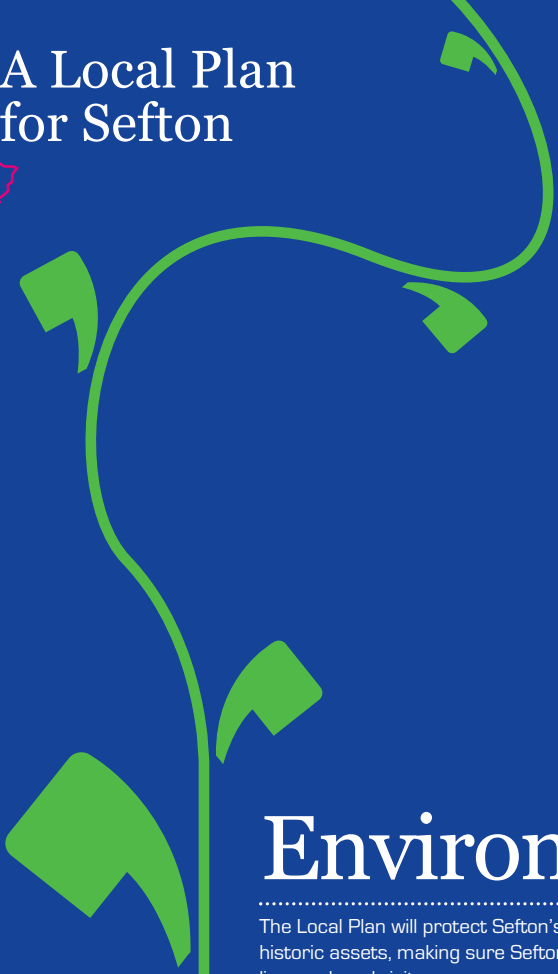
Jan McColgan, said: "The fact that we are expanding our health visiting staffing with so many additional health visitors this Autumn is fantastic news."

"With this additional staffing resource on the ground, we will be able to provide a significantly enhanced service to the communities that we serve, helping to ensure that all children in our local communities are getting the very best start in life."



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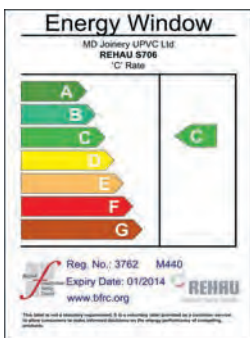
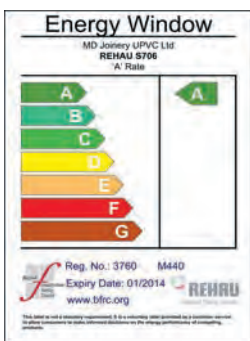
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Sefton 'ambassador' to be PCC's 'eyes and ears'



Jane Kennedy with her new community engagement team, including Jenny Currie (far right).

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

A SEFTON 'ambassador' has been named who will report to the Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner, enabling her to better understand the borough's priorities.

Jenny Currie, who formerly worked for One Vision Housing, will be the community engagement officer for Sefton, one of a six member team, with others representing Liverpool North and South, Wirral, Knowsley and St Helens.

The aim of the team is to be the 'eyes and ears' of Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner Jane Kennedy in the community strengthening relationships with organisations, groups and members of the public. Ms Curry will attend public events and meetings, meet with community, voluntary and faith groups and listen to the concerns of people.

She will then report directly to the Commissioner to ensure she

has a broad understanding of the work carried out by partners and community organisations in each area.

She will be committed to building relationships with under-represented groups, including the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, those from racial minorities and people with disabilities.

Commissioner Kennedy said: "I am delighted my community engagement team is now in place and out meeting people from all the different communities of Merseyside."

"It is absolutely essential to me that I understand the concerns and needs of people across our region."

"I am committed to tackling the issues that impact most upon our communities to ensure Merseyside continues to be a safe place to live."

"By creating this team, I am providing a channel by which all organisations, charities, community and voluntary groups and members of their public can have their voices heard and ensure their concerns can be directly addressed by me."

Mersey Care meeting invitation

MERSEY Care NHS Trust is inviting anyone with an interest in its mental health, learning disability and addiction services across Sefton to come to its annual general meeting.

The meeting, on Wednesday, September 25 at Liverpool Town Hall, will hear all about the trust's progress and its performance over the past financial year.

It will also be an opportunity for guests to find out more about the trust's wide range of expert services, with a range of information stands available on all aspects of mental health and wellbeing along with light refreshments available from 5.30pm.

During the year Mersey Care cared for and treated nearly 34,000 patients. It also established a membership of nearly 11,500 people who are interested in supporting the trust in preparation for it becoming an NHS foundation trust.

This year's annual report is presented at the meeting and is on a theme of how the trust listens and responds.

Mersey Care NHS Trust bosses say they would welcome the opportunity to share some of the stories of this work more widely and will be happy to talk to anyone about how they can become involved with the organisation.

For more details or to confirm attendance at Mersey Care's annual meeting, telephone 0151 471 2336 or go on line at www.mersecare.nhs.uk

Radio presenter at Women in Business meeting

BARBACOA Wine Bar and Bistro in Waterloo will host the next Sefton Women in Business meeting on Wednesday, September 18.

The meeting includes a hot main meal, coffee and cash bar, with six trade stands, and guest interviewer Linda McDermott from BBC Radio Merseyside.

Sefton Chamber of Commerce chief executive Steve Dickson said: "We always say opportunity is everywhere, and particularly within the Liverpool City region as some of the larger infrastructure items are underway."

The Chamber creates jobs and growth locally through business support and marketing opportunities with public sector procurement contracts which won Chamber members of £20million of deals in 12 months.

Mr Dickson added: "With free seminars including social media called 'Twitter Tuesdays', and other services such as our breakfast sales group, there couldn't be a better time for businesses to reconnect with their local chamber." For more information go to www.seftonchamber.com.

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Hole lot of work ahead for council to tackle Sefton's pothole problem

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

SEFTON Council needs to commit to long term funding to see any progress with the borough's pothole crisis, according to road safety charity the Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM).

The IAM recently surveyed a number of local highway authorities across the UK to chart progress on implementing the key recommendations for the Pothole Review twelve months on.

Results show that councils are adopting new policies and are being much more open about how and when they will fill in potholes.

The Pothole Review has led to significant changes in the way that councils repair roads.

Fifty-nine per cent of councils said that now they adopt a 'prevention is better than cure' approach and seventy-one per cent say that permanent repairs are their first choice when dealing with damaged roads.

IAM chief executive Simon Best said: "It's probably too early to say that the Pothole Review has been a total success, but the early indications are mostly positive."

"Communication with drivers and riders has improved and permanent repairs are now being used in place of constant patching."

"The building blocks are in place but the fact that complaints still seem to be rising means they have a real challenge on their hands."



Potholes – long term funding needed to solve pothole crisis

"At least in future that challenge and their response will be quantified and public and we will be watching for signs of real progress on the street."

A spokesman for Sefton Council said: "We are aware of the national pothole guidance and have taken on board the recommendations in the development of our services."

"We have always endeavoured, within the limited resources available, to keep our roads in the best possible condition."

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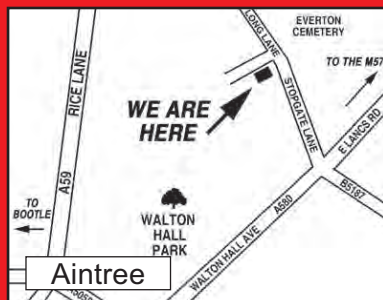
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Watch out! There are deer about

Report by **Holly Rummens**

NUMEROUS sightings of deer along the Formby bypass have prompted calls from motorists for warning signs to be put in place?

Readers have contacted the Champion to tell us that on several occasions they have spotted deer running out into the middle of the road and have had to swerve to prevent hitting them.

Currently, no warning signs are in place around the woodland area of Formby to alert drivers of the presence of any wild deer, mainly because to date their appearance can be rare.

But motorists who contacted the Champion say it might be time to put some warning signs in place because they are worried that if a wild deer does ever run out into the road and drivers aren't aware of their existence in the area, it could cause a major accident.

Alan Wright, from Lancashire Wildlife Trust said: "It's not a strange thing to see deer about in urban areas especially during the winter months as it is warmer for them."

"They are most commonly seen around Formby woodland area and have also been frequently sighted around certain parts of West Lancashire. They are often seen as part of a herd and not so long ago around 30 deer were spotted near Burscough Bridge."

"It is not common for motorists to hit road deer as they can be easily spotted due to the white fur at the ends of their tails although it does happen on occasions and the Wildlife Trust would fully agree to put warning signs in place to alert drivers, especially in frequently seen areas."

"Now that it is nearly the winter months more deer will most likely be seen."

The urge for deer warning signs came about after a wild deer was spotted knocked over just off the Formby bypass, while other



Warning deer sign: Should we have them on some of our borough's roads

drivers have had close encounters with the animals nearly hitting their vehicles, leaving them shaken up by the experience.

Another driver told us he was driving home in the early evening when two deer appeared suddenly in Holmeswood, leaping over a hedge and darting across the main road before disappearing into woodland.

"It really shook me up to be honest. They were running at some speed across a farmer's field and then bounded over the hedge into the road. Had I been a couple of moments earlier, I would have hit them and I dread to think about the consequences had that happened. These are big animals and would have caused serious harm."

"Signs should definitely be put in place in that area."

A spokesman for Sefton Council said: "The number of wild deer on the Sefton coast is very low and we believe this incident on the Formby bypass was an isolated one."

"However, if further animals are reported on the bypass then we would consider signs warning motorists of this."

Sefton Women in Business meeting

BARBACOA Wine Bar and Bistro in Waterloo will play host to the next Sefton Women in Business meeting on Wednesday September 18.

The meeting includes a hot main meal, coffee and cash bar, with six trade stands, and guest interviewee Linda McDermott from BBC Radio Merseyside.

Sefton Chamber of Commerce CEO Steve Dickson said: "we always look forward to September."

"It's like getting back on the start line for the next race and as we say opportunity is everywhere, and

"There couldn't be a better time for businesses for reconnect..."

particularly within the Liverpool City region as some of the larger infrastructure items are underway."

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creating jobs and growth locally through great business support and marketing opportunities with Public sector procurement contract wins for Chamber members of £20 million in 12 months.

Mr Dickson added: "With members free seminars including social media called "Twitter Tuesdays", and other services such as our Breakfast Sales Group, there couldn't be a better time for businesses to reconnect with their local chamber, and join if they are not members."

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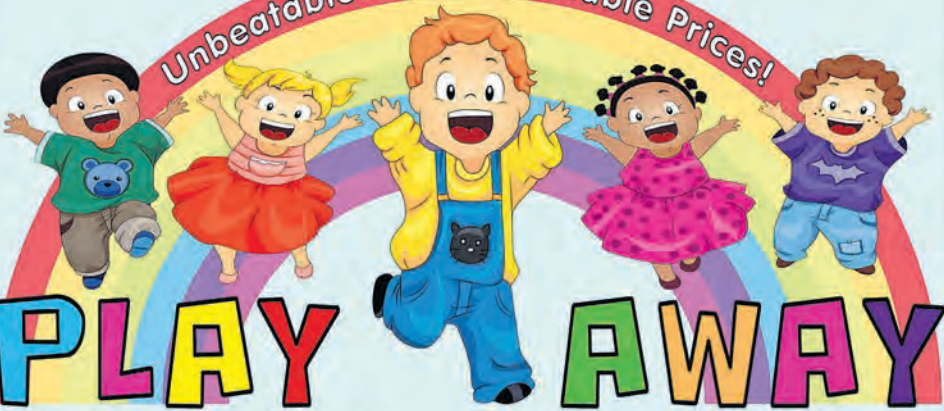
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12. Clay disc shooting (5)
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16. Friends with a hovering rug (7)
19. Ancient, human-made underground passageway (8)
21. Surges of water on land (6)
22. Surrounded by disorderly crowd (6)

DOWN

1. Neuron fibres (6)
2. Of heroic or impressive proportions (4)
3. Demonstration of unhappiness (7)
4. Useful or valuable quality (5)
5. Expert (at computers) (5,3)
6. Norma Jeane Baker stage surname (6)
11. Retriever dog (8)
13. Sweet home... (7)
15. A person who defines the future (6)
17. Pictures (6)
18. Near to the sea (5)
20. Deep red mineral (4)

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I am guessing many of you vowed earlier in the year to get fit/lose weight/lower cholesterol or some other health related goal for the summer.

For those of you that made it congratulations, but, unfortunately I would lay money on it that a higher percentage didn't meet your target. Did you make the same resolutions this spring that you made last year, and the one before that, and the one before that?

Chances are you started off well, maybe did great for a week or two but by July found you hadn't really gotten going and then perhaps its felt too late before your holiday.

Now it's September and you are heavier or less fit than when you started and probably feeling pretty demotivated.

If you are not careful before you know it another year will pass and you will be in exactly the same position if not worse for next summer.

Here's the thing, it doesn't have to be that way, you don't have to do what you always do!

My question for you is what can you do different this September?

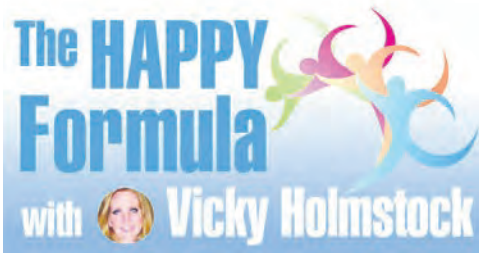
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steps and I strongly encourage you to get started right now, today.

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Stage 2. Nutrition – create a healthy nutritious meal plan for the week, forward planning is essential.

Stage 3. Detox – eliminating toxins will boost the systems of the body and get you off to a fantastic start. Pick one of the following to eliminate from your diet; alcohol, wheat or caffeine

Stage 4. Accountability – declare your goals and intention openly and pick a person who you can ask to help make sure you stay on track.

As always I love to hear how you are getting on or if you want me to write about any particular topic or to answer any specific questions you can email me at vicky@yellowfitness.co.uk

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 - * Poor circulation
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Have you been everywhere, tried everything and are still suffering?

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My Name is Darren Douglas and I am the owner of the 'Recliner Lounge' Comfort Studio in Lancashire. Over the past nearly ten years we have used our knowledge and expertise to help thousands of

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Flying times are also available on the visitsouthport website and detail of when the likes of the Red Arrows, and Typhoon should take to the skies. These times are all subject to change.

This year a Southport Air Show app is also available to download. This lets customers browse and read about all the planes that are attending, check out the flying times, book tickets and updates on traffic news. This can be downloaded via the Apple app store or Google Play.

As well as the fantastic air displays there is even more this year taking place on the ground appealing to people of all ages.

Councillor Ian Maher, Sefton Council's cabinet member for regeneration and environment, said: "The Southport Air Show is really getting ready to take off and this year so much information can be quickly gathered about it."

"From its own dedicated radio station to the special app, visitors to the show can access and listen to traffic updates, learn about the planes and view the flying times in an instant."

"Normal travelling times into the resort will change as roads and motorways are usually extremely busy so please bear this in mind when heading to the event."

"We are advising people to get there as early as possible and make it a full day to remember."

For tickets and information on the Southport Air Show log on to www.visitsouthport.com and tune in to 87.7FM on September 14/15.

Bomber could be missing this year

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

THE popular Vulcan Bomber may be missing from this year's Southport Air Show line-up after it was forced to pull out of a recent flight with a serious fuel leak.

The bomber, originally commissioned by the RAF in 1956, is a regular sight at shows up and down the country and over the last few years has been a hit with spectators at the Southport spectacle.

However the Vulcan was grounded on September 1 after engineers discovered a serious fuel leak in one of the plane's tanks. All immediate flights were then postponed for safety reasons.

A statement posted on the Vulcan's official facebook page read: "Due to a fuel leak from one of the Vulcan's tanks, flight has had to be cancelled for safety reasons."

The Vulcan had been in the air only a day before (August 31) performing for crowds at the Rhyl Air Show before the defect was discovered.

Since the findings there has been no follow up announcement to confirm whether or not the Vulcan will be fit to fly in time for the Southport show where it is scheduled to round off the two-day spectacular as the final flight on Sunday at 4pm.

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WOMEN'S charity Venus has organised a spirit medium event next month to raise funds for the charity.

Davis Traynor, travels up and down the country with his tours and is coming to the Crosby Plaza Cinema this Saturday, (Sept 14).

Venus provide one-to-one emotional and practical support, advice, information and guidance to women in need. They also offer money management advice and counselling at their drop in centre floating support programmes. The event starts at 7.30pm. For more information on Venus visit www.davidtraynor.com

BNI Feature

Gardening at its best



Gardens often count as the “extra room” for any home owner but their design, appearance and maintenance can seem daunting to those who do not have the time, knowledge or skill to tackle them.

The importance of finding the right firm for this kind of work is paramount and we are blessed in our region to have the very best available to us. Mook Gardens, headed by Jill and Greg Mook, is a local family run business and has been established for 22 years in the quaint village of Birkdale.

Greg says: “We started out as landscape gardeners, then diversified into garden maintenance and now we are the largest garden company in Southport.” Greg took a A. H. N. D garden design course 15 years ago and never looked back. Greg’s natural ability and qualifications has meant that the design and landscape side of the business has gone from success to success. From paving driveways and patios, laying lawns, building walls and fences, designing and building ponds and water features, Mook Gardens is the one company constantly sought after by discerning local clients. Greg admits: “The best accolades for us have come through 19 flower show winning exhibits!” And with another large Gold medal win this year, the staff at Mook gardens are top experts in their field. Greg says: “I think these guys are the best ever in the 22 years we have been in place.” And to show how sure Mook Gardens are of the quality of the work they provide, the company offers a full five year guarantee on all materials and workmanship.

Mook Gardens also employ two teams of gardeners to mow, hoe and trim residential and commercial lawns and gardens within a 20 mile radius of Southport, a professionally

run business with nearly 200 satisfied clients who trust in the experience and knowledge of real gardeners. With their often seen lime green vans and trucks, Mook Gardens are an instantly recognisable and dependable local company whose success is built on expertise and trust of a job well done.

Greg adds: “We are still busy through the recession because we have managed to keep our prices down, making our service very affordable.”

Greg has been a member of the Bni Links Chapter for three years now and says: “I sampled quite a few other networking opportunities but the BNI is the best. The main reason is that the group does generate a lot of business. Every penny of it is logged so you know exactly how much you’ve brought and taken from the group. I like the trustworthiness of the organisation. It fits well with what Mook Gardens is about.” Greg recognises that the BNI meetings can also act as motivational tools. He says: “Every week, the experience and attitude in the room are electric. To be mixing with the likes of Southport Football Club, The Champion, Southport Carpets, all the trades, lawyers, accountants and architects but to name a few is a priceless experience.”

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Floyd sound to be recreated

PINK Floyd fans are in for a treat later this month.

Southport Theatre plays host to one of the UK's top Tribute Bands – UK Pink Floyd Experience on Saturday, September 21 at 7.30pm.

The nine-piece outfit replicates the line up of the full live Pink Floyd touring band of the late 80's and 90's.

They use state-of-the-art sound and a spectacular light show, and the aim is to perfect the atmosphere of the great Pink Floyd in concert songs from Dark Side of The Moon through to Division Bell.

The nine band members are all seasoned musicians and include a choreographed and costumed three girl backing vocal section.

Lead vocalist and guitarist Paul Andrews fronts the band and has a voice that, it has been said, is remarkably similar to David Gilmour's. Paul has worked hard to perfect his vocal delivery aiming to replicate every nuance and intonation used by Mr Gilmour.

Paul is joined by David Power on bass and Mike Bollard on second guitar. Both David and Mike add their vocal talents to help create the big Floyd sound.

James Archer is on drums and percussion. The band is completed by Dave Woodfield on piano and keyboards, and founder member Neil Smallman on Hammond organ and keyboards.
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UK Pink Floyd Experience

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Invitation to supper concert

PEOPLE are being invited to Una Voce Opera Company's 17th Annual Opera Supper Concert.

It will be held at St Edward Hall, Sacred Heart Catholic College, Crosby on Saturday, September 28 (6.30pm for 7pm).

Liverpool tenor Nick Hardy and Waterloo-based Mezzo-soprano Danielle Thomas will be attending the evening.

Several of the group's vice-president's (Robert Alderson's) former and current pupils, who are now well-known to opera audiences across Europe, will be appearing also. A two-course full buffet will be prepared by Gillions of Crosby. There will be a licensed bar and a fundraising raffle.

For more information contact the company secretary on 0151-924-8972.

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Club open their season with famous Bennett play

Report by **Ron Ellis**

SOUTHPORT Dramatic Club open their new season at The Little Theatre with Alan Bennett's celebrated autobiographical play, *The Lady in a Van*, which tells of the relationship between the playwright and an eccentric elderly lady who for 15 years lived in a van at the bottom of his garden in Camden Town and spoke regularly to the Virgin Mary.

Kathy Felton-Aksoy takes the role of the malodorous Miss Shepherd, made famous by Maggie Smith in the triumphant West End production, while Brendan Gillow and Ted Bullen play two Alan Bennetts, one young and taking part in the story and the older man looking back and commenting on the relationship.

Margaret Hodge makes a welcome return to the Little Theatre stage in a dual role, as Alan Bennett's mother ('Mam') and Miss Shepherd's doctor.



Alan Bennett

Code NA

Guesting from the West End Players are Simon Hawkins, as the sinister Underwood, and Nick Lloyd as Rufus. Ceri Watkins is Pauline, Nikki Ritchie a social worker and the other eight parts are shared between Peter Slater, Eddie Webster and Suzanne Gray.

Steve Pritchard has taken over as director due to the indisposition of Robin Hirsch.

The Lady in a Van runs from Friday, September 20 to Saturday, September 28 at 7.45pm each evening. Tickets from the Box Office on 01704 530521/530460.

Motorbike parade to light up streets of town

Report by
Tom Martin

THE Honda Goldwing Light Parade is set to return and light up the streets of Southport.

The event will involve a two-lap journey, which includes the largest production motorcycle in the world, as well as a display and awards show.

The parade will start at The Royal Clifton Hotel at 7.30pm on Saturday, September 28 and travel along the Promenade, Leicester Street, Lord Street, Duke Street, Victoria Way

before it ends at around 8.15pm.

A Static Light Display will then held in the hotel's car park at 8.30pm followed by awards for the best lit bikes at the Windsor Suite at 10pm.

There will also be the chance to view up to 100 Goldwing motorcycles from 10am to 4pm in Chapel Street precinct.

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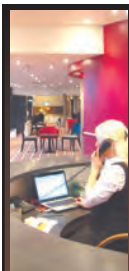
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Rajan Paul, Head of Landscape Services and Proper Officer for Registration Matters.
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Planning
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS & CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990

The following applications have been made to Sefton Council:

Applicant/Ref	Mr Owen Hewitt, S/2013/0749
Address	15 Mill Weir Gardens Sefton
Proposal	Erection of a single storey extension at the rear of the dwellinghouse

This application lies within the Sefton Village conservation area and affects the setting of a Listed Building

Applicant/Ref	Mr J M Morgan S/2013/0922
Address	Smithy Brow Farm, 1 Eager Lane, Lydiate
Proposal	Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling with all matters reserved following demolition of the existing barn

This application is a departure from the approved development plan. The site is allocated in the plan as Green Belt

Applicant/Ref	Mr A Lunt, Sefton MBC Director of Built Environment, S/2013/0955
Address	Kings Centre, 105 Balliol Road, Bootle
Proposal	Variation of conditions 1 & 2 attached to planning application S/2011/1369, granted 10 May 2012, to vary consent times

This application affects a listed building

You can look at the applications on our website at www.sefton.gov.uk/planapps. Alternatively you can contact us to arrange to view the plans at Magdalen House, 30 Trinity Road, Bootle, L20 3NJ (telephone 0151 934 3568) between the hours of 8.30am and 5pm (Monday to Thursday) and 8.30am to 4pm (Friday). If you have any comments about the applications please complete our online form at www.sefton.gov.uk/planapps, or write to me at Magdalen House within 21 days of the date of the publication of this Notice.

J Gowing, Head of Planning Services, Magdalen House, 30 Trinity Road, Bootle, L20 3NJ

Traffic
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984, SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF BRICKWALL LANE, THORNTON

Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council, not less than seven days from the publication of this Notice, intend to make an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991, to close Brickwall Lane, Thornton between its junctions with Buckley Hill Lane and Rectory Green to enable carriageway patching / resurfacing works to be carried out. The proposed Order will continue in force for a maximum period of 21 days or until the works have been completed, whichever is the earlier. The works are due to commence on Monday 23rd September, 2013 between 09.30 hours and 15.30 hours and will take up to two weeks to complete. Access will be maintained for the Emergency Services and where possible for residents.

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It also comes with plenty in the way of mid-range whallop from beneath the bonnet, and a dynamism that'll make a BMW owner blush (even though they'd never care to admit to it). Welcome to the club class world of the Ford Mondeo 2.0 Ghia X.

Specifically, the one I've just bought. For a grand. Why have I gone for a Blue Oval badged family saloon, particularly when I'm not a family man?

Firstly, because the car that's been my everyday wheels of choice for the past three years – my Rover 214SEI – is approaching the

end of its life as a useful commuting tool.

It's been a fine companion and I've grown to love its easygoing vibe, its tasteful half leather seats and plastiwood trim, and its utter refusal to break down, even in a snowdrift in deepest Cumbria.

But ever since my offices moved from Southport to Peterborough and my new place of residence became the outside lane of the A1, this £300, 17-year-old slice of Anglo-Japanese engineering has been operating beyond its brief.

What I really needed, I figured, was something with oomph sufficient to deal with all the motorway work I've been assigned of late – a task the Mondeo was born to tackle.

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More importantly – and to revisit something I wrote earlier this year – everyone I know who really knows their stuff on cars rates the Mondeo, of which you can spot up to 20 an hour on any British high street.

The Great British Public might have moved to the Nissan Juke at one end and the 3-Series BMW on the other, leaving the Ford favourite lingering in a sales figures no man's land, but every Mondeo has always demonstrated that family cars can be finely balanced things which revel in a good corner or two.

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So was I right to opt for a Ford as the Rover's eventual successor? Is it a belting saloon car bargain? Or have I bought a 12-year-old, 108,000 mile breakdown catastrophe just waiting to happen? Watch this space!

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Marine went down to their first home reverse of the season on Saturday. The visitors grabbed a 17th minute lead, a ball into the box coming off Lee Morris and falling kindly for Matt Thornhill to tuck it past Callum Williams

from close range. Before half time the Bucks put themselves in control of the game with a second goal, a corner being driven back in and Morris tapping in from no more than a yard out.

The second half saw few clear cut scoring chances.

Six for Sephton as Northern take the title

NORTHERN are champions of the Liverpool Competition Premier Division after dethroning holders Lytham by 79 runs at Moor Park on Saturday.

The hosts declared after 50 overs on 223-5 with Paul Horton top scoring with 62, while John Wildman (51) and Mark Walling (38) also added valuable runs. In reply Tom Sephton passed the 60 wickets for the season with 5-69 to help dismiss the visitors for 144, with Will Hale top scoring with 58.

Ormskirk cemented the runners-up spot in with a home draw against New Brighton. An unbeaten century from Matty Glayzer (106*) and 28 each from Matt Morgan and John

Armstrong enabled Ian Robinson to declare after 47.2 overs on 220-7. The visitors put in a good effort at reaching their victory target which would have guaranteed their Premier Division survival with Lancashire's Luke Procter top scoring with 75 while Ian Robinson claimed 5-78 as the innings ended on 214-9.

Firwood Bootle beat Southport & Birkdale by 139 runs after rattling up 250-8 dec off 44 overs, thanks to Lancashire's Stephen Parry who returned from injury with 64 and 119 from Jordan Evans whilst Chris Firth took the bowling honours with 4-62.

In reply a battling 49 from Kyle Cranston and 31 from Scott Lees weren't enough as S&B were bowled

out for 111, with Will Purser 5-47 and Chris Cunningham 3-20 the pick of the bowlers.

Hightown did all they could to avoid the drop but went down by four runs at Maghull. The hosts were dismissed for 227, thanks in the main to Chris Barlow (62), Joe Bennett (35), Donovan Pell (33) and an unbeaten 27 from Paul McKenna, whilst Andy Warhurst was the pick of the bowlers with 6-64. In reply, a second century in successive weeks by skipper Adam Phillips (103) plus 33 from Rob Gamble and 25 not out from Joe Lowe, took Hightown to 223, with Chris Tonge (4-30) taking the all important final wicket and Ryan Swiers claiming 4-99.

Bucks move up to third place in the table

**Silsden 0
Bootle 2**

BOOTLE moved up to third in the North West Counties Football League and recorded their fourth clean sheet in eight league games. Bootle were dominant throughout

but were unable to secure the breakthrough and at half-time the score remained 0-0. The Bucks took the lead on the hour mark when Sean Coulton's near post header evaded both the keeper and defender on the line. On 73 minutes Micheal Boyle beat his man before

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**Saturday, 14th September
9am – 1pm Don't miss out!**

It's not too late to join us this September!



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- Study in an £8 million new HE development, with a dedicated University Centre, to open in 2014
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